

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Examiner: Jill E. Culler

Akihiro Taguchi

Serial No.: 10/648,546

Art Unit: 2854

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Title: Platen And Inkjet Recording Apparatus Having That Platen

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**REQUEST TO AMEND DRAWINGS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121**

Dear Examiner Culler:

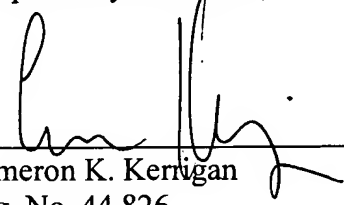
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, Applicants respectfully request permission to amend Figures 9(a), 9(b), 12, 13(a), 14 and 17 as shown in red on the accompanying sheets.

The changes are being made per the Examiner's request in the Office Action dated August 6, 2004.

The undersigned authorizes any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1850.

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